BY THE

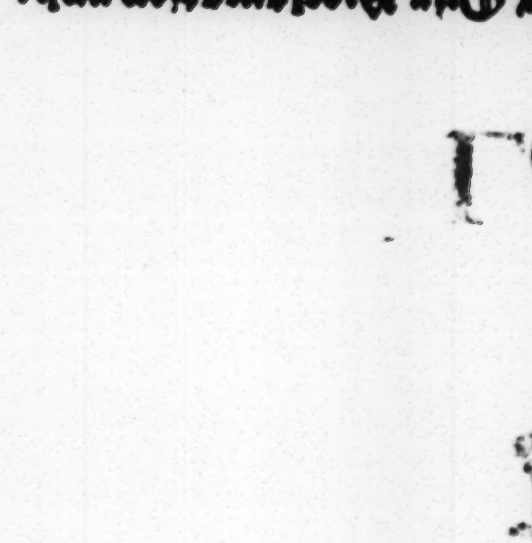
Lords-Justices

COUNCIL.

A PROCLAMATION.

CAPELL, CYRILL WICH, W. DUNCOMBE.

Given at the Council-Chamber at Whitehall the Fourth Day of February, 1691/2 in the Fourth Year of their Majesties Reign, and Year of our Lord 1692.

Whereas We are Informed that several Justices of the Peace, Sheriffs and other Magistrates presuming on their Power in the Country, have by Colour of their Authority in a most Illegal and Arbitrary Manner, and Contrary to the known Laws of this Kingdom, Dispossest several of their Majesties Subjects, not only of their Goods and Chatties, but of their Lands and Tenements to the Disturbance of the Quiet and Peace of this Kingdom, the Subversion of the Law, and the Reproach of their Majesties Government. We therefore Command and Require all Justices of the Peace, Mayors, Sheriffs and other Magistrates whatsoever, that they forbear all such Illegal Proceedings. And that they do not so far presume on their Authority as to Intermeddle with the Property, Right, Title or Possession of the Estate Goods or Chatties of any their Majesties Subjects other then as by due Course of Law, they are required and as they shall be able to Justifie

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